Ecumenical News International

Nouvelles œcuméniques internationales Ökumenische Nachrichten International Noticias Ecuménicas Internacionales





I N D E X

January to December 2002

Published by Ecumenical News International (ENI), an independent news agency covering religious, ecumenical and humanitarian affairs. Editorial team: Peter Kenny, Stephen Brown, Laurie Spurr, Valerie Medri. All articles © Ecumenical News International. Reproduction permitted only to media subscribers and provided ENI is acknowledged as the source. ENI is an Association under Swiss law whose members include the World Council of Churches, the Lutheran World Federation, the World Alliance of Reformed Churches, and the Conference of European Churches. Articles do not necessarily reflect the views of the Association or its members. Printed in Switzerland.

ABORIGINES

ABORTION	
Irish turn down stricter abortion law	
ADVERTISING	
Baptism of fire for pastor who posed for energy company Don't lose the plot at Christmas, says Scottish advertis	
AFGHANISTAN	
One year after fall of Taliban, vigilance still needed :	in Afghanistan21-0382
AFRICA	
African Lutheran leaders confess past sins in dealing work in the state of the stat	ls religious leaders 11-0159 politicians 19-0335
AFRICAN INSTITUTED CHURCHES	
AFRICAN NATIONAL CONGRESS (ANC)	
AFRICAN UNION (AU)	
South African leader urges churches to monitor African	politicians19-0335
AGRICULTURE	
AID AGENCIES	
Australia should stop demonising refugees, Catholic relatives are bearing brunt of US security measures, chur Villagers face starvation as Zimbabwe president clashes Zimbabwean archbishop accuses government of letting peop	rch agencies warn04-0050 with charities20-0371
AID & GRANTS	
Churches welcome Indian government decision on aid for anglican primates outline plan to help churches combat a Tutu launches charity for displaced farmers, workers in Thousands go hungry as militants block food distribution Israel deports missionary who helped sick Palestinian of Indian charity organises tea estates to aid church, need Angola needs world's help to rebuild, say churches Churches appeal for help as floods surge through central Zimbabwe's Catholic bishops plead for food aid to be decredit cards nudge out collection plates in US congregations.	AIDS crisis

Congo Christians ask world churches for aid to cope with crisis............20-0366

ALBANIA

ALGERIA

ALL AFRICA CONFERENCE OF CHURCHES (AACC)

AMISH

AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL

AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL	
Amnesty finds security interests prevail over h.rights in much of world	10-0146
ANGLICAN	
Carey announces his retirement as Archbishop of Canterbury. Secularism is stifling religious expression, Anglican primate warns	01-0013 02-0017 02-0019 03-0042 04-0048 06-0085 06-0086 07-0102 07-0105 08-0121 09-0139 09-0142 12-0176 13-0195 13-0196 14-0199 14-0201 15-0240 16-0247 17-0283 17-0286 18-0319 19-0331 19-0332 19-0342 20-0355 20-0374 21-0392 22-0406
ANGOLA	
Angola needs world's help to rebuild, say churches	14-0212
ANIMALS	
Indian churches deplore lynching of youths in cow-skinning affair	20-0358
ANNIVERSARIES & FESTIVALS	
Church leaders mark Queen's jubilee by pledging commitment to unity Christians join white ribbon protests on Indian Independence Day Churches celebrate pioneering work of Lausanne conference 75 yrs ago Nigerian Christians and Muslims pray for peace on anniversary of riots 11 September remembered: 'We can be safe only together' Pioneering declaration agreed in Finland now world-wide benchmark Christians celebrate unity and 1950 years since St Thomas came to India	15-0237 16-0256 17-0274 17-0282 20-0355
ANTARCTICA	

ANTARCTICA

Orthodox Church in Antarctica to serve as beacon and 'outpost of Russia'...04-0057

ANTI-SEMITISM
German church leaders intervene in row over anti-Semitism
ANTIGUA
<u>APARTHEID</u>
APOSTOLIC
<u>APPOINTMENTS</u>
•Catholic church moves to deal with sex abuse by priests
ARCHAEOLOGY
'James, son of Joseph, brother of Jesus' message debated by archaeologists. 20-0365
ARCHITECTURE
Fans of Barcelona's famous architect hope to see him beatified 10-0154
<u>ARGENTINA</u>
<u>ARMENIA</u>
<u>ARMS</u>
Church leaders condemn military build-up in South Asia
ARSON
ART
Historic paintings in bishop's castle still focus of campaign 12-0182
ASIA
Church leaders condemn military build-up in South Asia
ASSEMBLIES OF GOD
ASSYRIAN CHURCH OF THE EAST
ASTROLOGY
<u>ATHEISM</u>
AUSTRALIA
Australia's asylum policy questioned following hunger strike by detainees. 02-0016 Australian governor-general feels heat from handling of abuse cases 02-0017 Governor-general's TV appearance fails to halt calls for resignation 04-0048 Australia should stop demonising refugees, Catholic relief leader says 04-0049

Australia's Anglican church makes formal apology to sexual abuse victims 06-0085 When does life begin? An Australian archbishop engages in soul-searching. 06-0086 Sydney bishops oppose government plan to permit research on embryos 07-0109 Australians less committed to Christianity, traditional family life 13-0198 Sydney archbishop rejects sexual abuse claims but stands aside for inquiry. 15-0222 Australian Catholic leaders urge end to mandatory refugee detention 17-0285 Bali attacks about terrorism, not religion, say Australian church leaders. 19-0323 Judge finds insufficient proof for allegations against Sydney archbishop 19-0328 Deportees from Australia risk death at home, church coalition says 22-0409 Catholic church appeals to Australian government on East Timorese 22-0410 Call for ban on Muslim dress denounced by church leaders in Australia 23-0435
AUSTRIA
AWARDS
Award for film that searches for identity in today's 'upside down world'. 03-0033 Mexican 'bishop of the poor' wins Niwano Peace Prize. 04-0056 US\$1 million Templeton prize for scientist-turned-priest. 05-0071 Germany's Roman Catholic and Protestant leaders to share award. 05-0076 'Green Patriarch' honoured for environmental stance. 09-0143 Distinction for Anglican dean who helped bridge Cold War divide. 12-0181 Le Monde journalist wins European religion writer of the year award. 16-0254 Religion writer prize winner says religious knowledge vital today. 18-0318 Protestant leader receives Germany's highest award. 19-0351 Leper helper and camp survivor 'not disappointed' on missing Nobel prize. 20-0360
AZERBAIJAN
BAHA'I
BAHAMAS
BAHRAIN
BALTICS
BALKANS
BANGLADESH
Religious minorities 'marginalised' in Bangladesh
BAPTIST
Zimbabwe authorities seize Baptist church's grain stocks
BAPTIST WORLD ALLIANCE (BWA)
US wrangle between Baptists spills over into world alliance 14-0220
BARBADOS
BEATIFICATION
Fans of Barcelona's famous architect hope to see him beatified

BELARUS	
Proposed law in Belarus threatens minority churches, religious leaders say. Minority churches in Belarus fear religion law will spark emigration Belarus minority churches determine to carry on despite new restrictions	19-0346
BELGIUM	
BELIZE	
BENIN	
BERMUDA	
BIBLE	
Arabian dancers, baths, 'Last Supper menus' in Moscow theme park plan 'James, son of Joseph, brother of Jesus' message debated by archaeologists.	
BIO-TECHNOLOGY/BIO-ETHICS	
When does life begin? An Australian archbishop engages in soul-searching Sydney bishops oppose government plan to permit research on embryos Leading-edge stem-cell bank stirs debate for UK church leaders, ethicists Canadian churches hail patent ruling on genetically modified mouse	07-0109 17-0286
BLASPHEMY	
BOLIVIA	
BOOKS	
Methodists hope new book will help people pray at the end of relationships. A Jewish journalist searches for God among Holy Land's other faiths New book brings debate about Mexican saint into public view	06-0095 10-0150 13-0193
BOSNIA-HERZEGOVINA	
Dutch could have prevented Srebrenica massacre, says inter-church report	07-0099
BOTSWANA	
BOYCOTTS	
BRAZIL	

Church groups drawn to Brazil forum to debate forms of globalisation..... 02-0026

BRETHREN

BRETTON WOODS INSTITUTIONS

BULGARIA

BURMA (see MYANMAR)

BURKINA FASO

BURUNDI CAMEROON Anglicans, Catholics warn Nigeria not to consider war with Cameroon...... 20-0368 CAMBODIA CANADA Secularism is stifling religious expression, Anglican primate warns...... 01-0013 Canadian Anglicans put technology to work to elect metropolitan........... 03-0042 Criticism leads Canadian Jewish Congress to pull out of interfaith group... 08-0115 Canadian church campaign pressures oil company on climate change......... 08-0116 Bucking previous trends, 'demand' for religion on the rise in Canada...... 09-0133 Canadian campaigners to 'call to account' the world's richest countries.... 11-0170 Carey says Anglican unity 'threatened' after vote for gay blessings...... 12-0176 Canadian Catholics want to go their own way on social issues, poll finds...14-0217 Foreign Anglicans join in 'provocative' protest against same-sex blessings. 17-0283 Archbishop expresses fear of schism in the Anglican Communion............... 18-0319 Canadian priest resigns in protest over same sex blessings................. 21-0391 Canadian church activists cautious as oil company withdraws from Sudan.... 22-0405 Canada and its Anglicans reach agreement on liability in abuse cases...... 22-0406 Canadian govt to review refugee cases after family shelters in church..... 22-0408 Canadian churches hail patent ruling on genetically modified mouse....... 23-0430 CAPITAL PUNISHMENT Filipino churches, rights groups call for end to death penalty............ 13-0185 CARIBBEAN CARIBBEAN CONFERENCE OF CHURCHES (CCC) CELIBACY CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC CENTRAL AMERICA CHAPLAINS CHARITIES CHILD LABOUR CHILD PROSTITUTION CHILDREN •Catholic church moves to deal with sex abuse by priests..................................01-0009 Church activists welcome court ruling they say will combat female foeticide 03-0038 Priests accused of child abuse in South Africa will be reported to police.. 09-0140 Scottish church guides children to safe surfing on the Internet.......... 20-0356 Four out of 10 children in Germany don't know meaning of Christmas...... 23-0446

CHILD SOLDIERS

CHILE	
CHINA	
In full expansion, Chinese church plays part in country's 'social vision'	03-003
CHRISTIAN ACTION AND NETWORKING AGAINST TRAFFICKING IN WOMEN (CAT)	
Churches launch new initiative to combat trafficking of women in Europe	23-043
CHRISTIAN BASE COMMUNITIES	
CHRISTIAN CONFERENCE OF ASIA (CCA)	
CHRISTIANITY	
Christians celebrate unity and 1950 years since St Thomas came to India	22-041
CHRISTIAN PEACE CONFERENCE (CPC)	
CHRISTIANS ASSOCIATED FOR RELATIONSHIPS WITH EASTERN EUROPE (CAREE)	
CHRISTIAN SOLIDARITY INTERNATIONAL (CSI)	
CHRISTIAN INSTITUTIONS COMMITTEE (CEROC)	
CHRISTIAN WORLD COMMUNIONS (CWCs)	
CHRISTMAS	
Four out of 10 children in Germany don't know meaning of Christmas Don't lose the plot at Christmas, says Scottish advertising campaign	
CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN (CB)	
CHURCH BUILDINGS/PROPERTY	
Romanian churches hope census results will aid property claims	04-005 07-009 12-017 15-023 17-029 19-035
CHURCH FESTIVALS	
Russian faithful plunge into icy water as holy act at Epiphany	02-002
CHURCH OF THE EAST	

US churches seek joint witness on racism as they launch unity venture..... 02-0023

CHURCHES' COMMISSION FOR MIGRANTS IN EUROPE (CCME)

CHURCHES UNITING IN CHRIST (CUIC)

CHURCH & CULTURE/SOCIETY

Bishops don't live like princes, says Church of England
CHURCH/STATE RELATIONS
Bishop appeals for end to violence in Zimbabwe

Filipino churches, rights groups call for end to death penalty
CIVIL SOCIETY
CLIMATE CHANGE
Canadian church campaign pressures oil company on climate change 08-0116
COLOMBIA
Slain Colombian archbishop criticised drug traffickers and guerrillas 06-0083 Warning of 'semi-dictatorship' as violence grips Colombia 15-0223 WCC condemns US military role in Colombia
COMMISSION OF EUROPEAN CATHOLIC EPISCOPATES (COMECE)
Church leaders try to stem EU abortion report controversy
COMMONWEALTH OF INDEPENDENT STATES (CIS)
COMMUNICATION
COMPUTER TECHNOLOGY
Canadian Anglicans put technology to work to elect metropolitan 03-0042

CONFERENCE OF EUROPEAN CHURCHES (CEC)

CONFERENCE OF EUROPEAN CHURCHES (CEC)
Award for film that searches for identity in today's 'upside down world'03-0033 Distinction for Anglican dean who helped bridge Cold War divide12-0181 Western European churches asked to scrutinise their investments
Church and Society Commission of the Conference of European Churches
Church leaders try to stem EU abortion report controversy
CONFERENCE OF PROTESTANT CHURCHES OF THE LATIN COUNTRIES OF EUROPE (CEPPLE)
CONFERENCE ON SECURITY AND COOPERATION IN EUROPE (CSCE)
CONGO, REPUBLIC OF (BRAZZAVILLE)
Church leaders decline request to mediate in Congo's civil war
CONGO, DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF (KINSHASA)
Jungle trek leads missionaries to safety after massacre in Congo 18-0293
CONSULTATION ON CHURCH UNION (COCU) (see CHURCHES UNITING IN CHRIST)
CONSUMERISM
CONVERSION
Sikhs and Christians in India meet over conversions row
COOPERATION
COPTIC
CORPORAL PUNISHMENT
CORRUPTION
Zambian president takes action after churches criticise him
COSTA RICA

COSTA RICA

COUNCIL OF EUROPE

DUNCIL OF EUROPEAN BISHOPS' CONFERENCES (CCEE)	
DUNCIL OF EVANGELICAL COMMUNITY FOR APOSTOLIC ACTION (CEVAA)	
DUNCIL OF LATIN AMERICAN BISHOPS (CELAM)	
DURSE FOR LEADERSHIP IN LAY TRAINING (CLLT)	
RIME	
missions found in investigation of threats against slain church activist0 ourt orders former generals to pay damages in Salvadorean torture case1 ew trial ordered for four men accused of slaying Guatemalan bishop1 ne year later, death of Mexican activist and former nun still a mystery2 fter sniper arrests US religious leaders say: Refrain from stereotyping2	14-0219 19-0344 20-0363
ROATIA	
UBA CONTRACTOR OF THE CONTRACT	
ethodist 'bike brigade' takes to the roads to spread Gospel in Cuba 0 aban church leaders welcome visit by Jimmy Carter	
URACAO	
YPRUS CONTROL OF THE	
ZECH REPUBLIC	
zech churches protest against a law 'hostile' to religion	11-0163
ALITS ALITS	
ndian churches deplore lynching of youths in cow-skinning affair2 ndian Dalits threaten mass conversions in protest at anti-conversion law2	
EBT (THIRD WORLD)	
EFENCE & DISARMAMENT	
CC warns of India and Pakistan nuclear threat, urges disarmament1	16-0266
ENMARK	
EVELOPMENT	
nurches say development needed to aid peace process in Sri Lanka1	18-0307
IAKONIA	
<u> TALOGUE</u>	
ndian church leaders plead for dialogue to resolve tension with Pakistan 0 rthodox leader's visit to Iran signals new era for dialogue 0 seaders of three faiths join in condemnation of Holy Land violence 0 upport for democratic reform in Pakistan is waning, WCC leaders hear 1 hristians and Muslims tell each other they need to face differences 1	01-0005 02-0019 16-0248

DISASTERS
Ecumenical patriarch pays tribute to victims of terrorist attacks in NY 05-0068 Church-built homes open for Hindu victims of Gujarat earthquake 10-0145 Churches appeal for help as floods surge through central Europe 15-0225 Hindu victims of Gujarat earthquake move into new church-built homes 23-0426
DISCIPLES OF CHRIST
DISABLED
DISPLACED
DIVESTMENT
DOMINICAN REPUBLIC
DONATIONS/GIFTS
<u>DRUGS</u>
Anglican bishop supports easing the law against cannabis
EASTER
Catholic-style Lenten rituals attracting Dutch Protestants
EAST INDIES
EAST TIMOR
'International solidarity' was key to East Timor achieving independence 06-0082 Catholic church appeals to Australian government on East Timorese 22-0410
ECONOMIC
ECONOMIC Global events put faith on agenda at World Economic Forum
Global events put faith on agenda at World Economic Forum
Global events put faith on agenda at World Economic Forum
Global events put faith on agenda at World Economic Forum
Global events put faith on agenda at World Economic Forum
Global events put faith on agenda at World Economic Forum
Global events put faith on agenda at World Economic Forum

ECUMENICAL DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVE (EDI)

ECUMENICAL COALITION ON THIRD WORLD TOURISM (ECTWT)

- 14 -ECUMENICAL DOCUMENTATION AND INFORMATION CENTRE FOR EASTERN AND SOUTHERN AFRICA (EDICESA) ECUMENICAL FORUM OF EUROPEAN CHRISTIAN WOMEN (EFECW) ECUMENICAL GATHERING OF YOUTH AND STUDENTS (EGGYS) ECUMENICAL PATRIARCHATE Ecumenical patriarch pays tribute to victims of terrorist attacks in NY.... 05-0068 Ecumenical patriarch and pope sign declaration on environment............ 11-0164 ECUMENICAL YOUTH COUNCIL IN EUROPE (EYCE) ECUMENISM Fiery fundamentalist and critic of the ecumenical movement dies at 95..... 06-0096 Church leaders hope visit will boost Guatemala peace process..............07-0108 US church leaders hope for 'more inclusive' ecumenical fellowship.......... 09-0136 Distinction for Anglican dean who helped bridge Cold War divide.......... 12-0181 French protestants re-establish warm relations with ecumenical community...13-0197 United churches show 'hope for the future' of ecumenical movement......... 18-0311 Typical rural Anglican church service is an 'ecumenical affair'............ 23-0445 EDUCATION Indian Christians applaud court decision halting controversial curriculum.. 05-0063 The French government wants to boost school education in religion.......... 08-0119 Court hearing could have far-reaching consequences for India's Christians.. 08-0128 Fight against illiteracy and child labour in India gets boost from new law. 09-0132 Indian education group says Christian schools failing their own community.. 12-0175 Indian Christians chary of controversial curriculum accepted by court..... 17-0278 Orthodox Christianity in Russian school curriculum triggers heated debate.. 23-0437 EGYPT EL SALVADOR Court orders former generals to pay damages in Salvadorean torture case.... 14-0219 EMBEZZLEMENT EMPLOYMENT/UNEMPLOYMENT/STRIKES ENTERTAINMENT

EQUATORIAL GUINEA

ENVIRONMENT

ERITREA **ESPERANTO** ESTONIA Wrangle over Orthodox Church in Estonia edges towards resolution......... 08-0125 ETHIOPIA EUCHARIST EUROPE European court rules against assisted suicide for Diane Pretty..........08-0120 Western European churches asked to scrutinise their investments............. 12-0183 Religion writer prize winner says religious knowledge vital today...... 18-0318 Churches launch new initiative to combat trafficking of women in Europe.... 23-0439 EUROPEAN ECUMENICAL ORGANIZATION FOR DEVELOPMENT (EECOD) EUROPEAN EVANGELICAL ALLIANCE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT EUROPEAN RELIGIOUS LEADERS COUNCIL EUROPEAN UNION (EU) •US must act to promote Middle East cease-fire, say religious leaders..... 07-0098 Church agencies urge EU sanctions against Israel.................08-0111 EUTHANASIA European court rules against assisted suicide for Diane Pretty........08-0120 EVANGELISM 'Virtual' church spins web to reach those outside the pews.................. 15-0229 EVANGELICAL German Protestants hope that mentors will promote equal opportunities..... 05-0075 Germany's Roman Catholic and Protestant leaders to share award............05-0076 Churches forced to move regional peace conference in Indonesia..............14-0206 US church leaders denounce Falwell's 'hateful' words against Mohammed..... 19-0339

FAITH

Number of Americane with no formal religion increasing, survey finds02-0024 Bucking previous trends, 'demand' for religion on the rise in Canada09-0133 Despite loss of faith, Dutch paster's children lament passing of rituals21-0400 PAMILY ISSUES German politician's nomination undermines Christian values, says cardinal. 14-0204 Indian churches launch TV channel to promote family values	<u>FAITR</u>
German politician's nomination undermines Christian values, says cardinal 14-0204 Indian churches launch TV channel to promote family values	Bucking previous trends, 'demand' for religion on the rise in Canada 09-0133
FAMINE/DROUGHT As drought continues, Zimbabwe's clergy pray for rain	FAMILY ISSUES
FIJI FILMS Award for film that searches for identity in today's 'upside down world'03-0033 Controversial film on church and Holocaust finally opens in France	
FIJI FILMS Award for film that searches for identity in today's 'upside down world'03-0033 Controversial film on church and Holocaust finally opens in France	FAMINE/DROUGHT
FILMS Award for film that searches for identity in today's 'upside down world'03-0033 Controversial film on church and Holocaust finally opens in France	As drought continues, Zimbabwe's clergy pray for rain
Award for film that searches for identity in today's 'upside down world'03-0033 Controversial film on church and Holocaust finally opens in France	FASTING
Award for film that searches for identity in today's 'upside down world'03-0033 Controversial film on church and Holocaust finally opens in France04-0054 FINANCE FOUR weddings and a baptism can cost Poles more than a month's salary05-0074 Budget cuts force reduction in Presbyterian staffing and missionary work09-0138 Western European churches asked to scrutinise their investments	<u>FIJI</u>
FINANCE Four weddings and a baptism can cost Poles more than a month's salary	<u>FILMS</u>
Four weddings and a baptism can cost Poles more than a month's salary	
Budget cuts force reduction in Presbyterian staffing and missionary work. 09-0138 Western European churches asked to scrutinise their investments. 12-0183 Facing change and financial difficulties, WCC governing body to meet. 15-0226 World Council of Churches facing financially 'unsustainable' position. 16-0260 World Council of Churches to cut back drastically on expenditure. 16-0270 Global stock markets force churches to cut back on social projects. 21-0393 WCC cutting staff positions by 15 per cent before end of 2003. 22-0414 FINLAND FELLOWSHIP OF CHRISTIAN COUNCILS IN EASTERN AND SOUTHERN AFRICA (FOCCESA) FOOD/HUNGER Churches welcome Indian government decision on aid for Orissa. 01-0002 Zimbabwe authorities seize Baptist church's grain stocks. 03-0040 Thousands go hungry as militants block food distribution in Zimbabwe. 10-0148 Catholic Church resumes control of food programme for Zimbabweans. 14-0214 Zimbabwe's Catholic bishops plead for food aid to be de-politicised. 18-0301 Catholic church condemns Zambian government for downplaying hunger. 19-0329 Villagers face starvation as Zimbabwe president clashes with charities. 20-0371 Zimbabwean archbishop accuses government of letting people starve. 21-0389 Stop partisan food distribution, Zimbabwe church leaders urge Mugabe. 23-0432 FRANCE Controversial film on church and Holocaust finally opens in France. 04-0054 US must act to promote Middle East cease-fire, say religious leaders. 07-0098 French church leaders sound alarm at success of far right. 08-0118 The French government wants to boost school education in religion. 08-0119 Divisions within France's Muslim community jeopardise new council. 10-0155 French protestants re-establish warm relations with ecumenical community. 3-0197 French bill represents 'war against the poor', critics charge. 20-0352	<u>FINANCE</u>
FELLOWSHIP OF CHRISTIAN COUNCILS IN EASTERN AND SOUTHERN AFRICA (FOCCESA) FOOD/HUNGER Churches welcome Indian government decision on aid for Orissa	Budget cuts force reduction in Presbyterian staffing and missionary work 09-0138 Western European churches asked to scrutinise their investments 12-0183 Facing change and financial difficulties, WCC governing body to meet 15-0226 World Council of Churches facing financially 'unsustainable' position 16-0260 World Council of Churches to cut back drastically on expenditure 16-0270 Global stock markets force churches to cut back on social projects 21-0393
Churches welcome Indian government decision on aid for Orissa	FINLAND
Churches welcome Indian government decision on aid for Orissa	FELLOWSHIP OF CHRISTIAN COUNCILS IN EASTERN AND SOUTHERN AFRICA (FOCCESA)
Zimbabwe authorities seize Baptist church's grain stocks	FOOD/HUNGER
Controversial film on church and Holocaust finally opens in France	Zimbabwe authorities seize Baptist church's grain stocks
US must act to promote Middle East cease-fire, say religious leaders	FRANCE
	US must act to promote Middle East cease-fire, say religious leaders

FRAUD

FREE CHURCH FEDERAL COUNCIL

FREEMASONRY

FUNDAMENTALISM

GABON

GAMBLING

GENETICS

GENOCIDE

GEORGIA

GERMANY

Stasi targeted Dutch church council during Cold War, researcher says Immigration law misses chance to protect the weak, German churches say German Protestants hope that mentors will promote equal opportunities Germany's Roman Catholic and Protestant leaders to share award US must act to promote Middle East cease-fire, say religious leaders 'Are soccer players our real Gods?' - a question for World Cup fans German church leaders intervene in row over anti-Semitism Czech church leaders urge openness in dispute over German expulsions	04-0051 05-0075 05-0076 07-0098 11-0161 11-0162 11-0163 12-0179 13-0193 13-0194 14-0203 14-0204 14-0206 15-0225 15-0230 18-0314 18-0317 19-0351 21-0383
Protestant leader receives Germany's highest award	19-0351 21-0383 22-0412 22-0413 23-0441
rour out of to children in dermany don't know meaning of chilischas	23-0440

GHANA

GLOBALISATION

Church groups drawn to Brazil forum to debate forms of globalisation 02-0026
Global events put faith on agenda at World Economic Forum
Canadian campaigners to 'call to account' the world's richest countries 11-0170
Western European churches asked to scrutinise their investments 12-0183
'Critical realism' needed to respond to globalisation: WCC moderator 16-0257
WCC's governing body warned of link between globalisation, violence 16-0258
Ref. churches told: Act locally to halt negative effects of globalisation 16-0252

GREECE

Idea of	Olympic	cease-fire gai:	ns b	acking	of Orthodox	lead	ders		 10-0149
Beards,	cassocks	and head-dres	s to	remain	compulsory	for	Greek	clergy	 20-0357

- 18 -GREEK CATHOLIC Romanian churches hope census results will aid property claims...........03-0034 Ukrainian cardinal criticises Rome bureaucracy over Orthodox dialogue..... 20-0354 GRENADA **GUATEMALA** Church leaders hope visit will boost Guatemala peace process............. 07-0108 Five years after civil war, Guatemala still waiting for fruits of peace.... 09-0135 Visiting Guatemala and Mexico, Pope offers support to indigenous peoples... 14-0218 New trial ordered for four men accused of slaying Guatemalan bishop...... 19-0344 GUINEA **GUYANA** GYPSIES Slovak churches dispute government claim of discrimination against Roma.... 12-0180 French bill represents 'war against the poor', critics charge................20-0352 HAITI HAWAII HEALTH Christian anti-liquor protesters in India march for tighter state controls. 02-0027 Philippine legislators run into RC opposition to reproductive health law... 19-0327 Donated mosquito nets to be used in campaign to fight malaria in Nigeria... 20-0334 Aids Anglican primates outline plan to help churches combat AIDS crisis....... 08-0121 Missionary societies call on churches to meet challenge of AIDS............ 08-0122 African Lutheran leaders confess past sins in dealing with HIV/AIDS...... 09-0141 'No excuse for passivity' against AIDS, UN official tells religious leaders 11-0159 Churches, used to caring for AIDS patients, now urged to up advocacy...... 19-0341 Churches 'can do much more' in fight against AIDS, says UN official...... 22-0415 Don't argue about donation: deal with AIDS, say Indian church groups..... 22-0416 HOLY LAND Israeli decision to halt work on Nazareth mosque faces challenge.......... 01-0006 Leaders of three faiths join in condemnation of Holy Land violence........ 02-0019 A Jewish journalist searches for God among Holy Land's other faiths......06-0095 Local church leaders oppose pro-Zionist Christian meeting in Holy Land..... 18-0309

HOMOSEXUALITY

HONDURAS

Η		M	0	K		IN	0
TT.	\cup	TA	O	17	${}^{\circ}$	ıТИ	v.

Churches a	oplaud wa	age	protection	for	domestic	workers	in	Hong	Kong.				03	-0	03	17
------------	-----------	-----	------------	-----	----------	---------	----	------	-------	--	--	--	----	----	----	----

HUMAN RIGHTS

Omissions found in investigation of threats against slain church activist. 01-0014 Church activists welcome court ruling they say will combat female foeticide 03-0038 'International solidarity' was key to East Timor achieving independence... 06-0082 Amnesty finds security interests prevail over h.rights in much of world... 10-0146 Warning of 'semi-dictatorship' as violence grips Colombia...... 15-0223 Support for democratic reform in Pakistan is waning, WCC leaders hear.... 16-0248 Australian Catholic leaders urge end to mandatory refugee detention..... 17-0285 One year after fall of Taliban, vigilance still needed in Afghanistan.... 21-0382 Millions-strong Christian alliance launches campaign to change trade rules. 23-0436

HUMOUR

HUNGARY

HUNGER (see FOOD/HUNGER)

HUSSITE

HUTTERIAN

ICELAND

IDOLATRY

IMPUNITY

INCLUSIVE LANGUAGE

INDIA

Indian church leaders plead for dialogue to resolve tension with Pakistan.. 01-0001 Churches welcome Indian government decision on aid for Orissa............01-0002 Christian anti-liquor protesters in India march for tighter state controls. 02-0027 Church activists welcome court ruling they say will combat female foeticide 03-0038 Christians call for tough action to stem violence in Gujarat...... 04-0045 Church activists claim Indian riots linked to ruling party's election woes. 05-0061 Churches express relief as calm prevails at disputed religious site...... 05-0062 Indian Christians applaud court decision halting controversial curriculum.. 05-0063 Threats against religious minorities assailed by Indian churches...... 06-0081 Indian Christians plead for international help to stop violence in Gujarat. 08-0127 Court hearing could have far-reaching consequences for India's Christians.. 08-0128 Fight against illiteracy and child labour in India gets boost from new law. 09-0132 Indian churches urge restraint as Indian-Pakistani tension mounts...... 10-0144 Church-built homes open for Hindu victims of Gujarat earthquake...... 10-0145 Gujarat stops closing refugee camps after widespread protests............ 12-0174 Indian education group says Christian schools failing their own community.. 12-0175 Indian charity organises tea estates to aid church, needy families...... 14-0211 Christians join white ribbon protests on Indian Independence Day.......... 15-0237

Christians in India reject charge of conversion by 'inducement'
INDIGENOUS PEOPLES
Mexican 'bishop of the poor' wins Niwano Peace Prize
INDOCHINA
INDONESIA
'International solidarity' was key to East Timor achieving independence 06-0082 Churches forced to move regional peace conference in Indonesia 14-0206 Bali attacks about terrorism, not religion, say Australian church leaders 19-0323 Churches fear Indonesian fight against terror will make life difficult 21-0383
INDULGENCES
INTEGRITY OF CREATION (see JUSTICE, PEACE, INTEGRITY OF CREATION)
INTER-CHURCH COMMITTEE ON HUMAN RIGHTS IN LATIN AMERICA (ICCHRLA)
INTER-FAITH RELATIONS
World's religions gather at Assisi to reject violence and call for peace 02-0018 Leaders of three faiths join in condemnation of Holy Land violence 02-0019 Christians call for tough action to stem violence in Gujarat 04-0045 Church activists claim Indian riots linked to ruling party's election woes. 05-0061 Churches express relief as calm prevails at disputed religious site 05-0062 Dutch Christians invited to send greetings for Hindu Holi celebration 06-0089 Sounds of violence echo at Jerusalem meeting of religious leaders 06-0094 A Jewish journalist searches for God among Holy Land's other faiths 06-0095 Top religious leaders unite to build 'harmonious' Europe 07-0103 Criticism leads Canadian Jewish Congress to pull out of interfaith group 08-0115 Pakistani Christians condemn blasphemy laws as 'arbitrary' 13-0184 Churches forced to move regional peace conference in Indonesia 14-0206 Pakistan Christians say they are powerless to respond to attacks 14-0207 Fears mount that attacks on Christians in Pakistan becoming routine 15-0234 Pakistan's supreme court quashes death sentence on Christian 15-0235

Religious minorities 'marginalised' in Bangladesh
Christians in India reject charge of conversion by 'inducement' 16-0249 Nigerian Christians and Muslims pray for peace on anniversary of riots 17-0274
Religions brought together by 11 September, says US Lutheran leader 17-0281 Lutheran leaders urge talk with other faiths to avoid religious conflict 17-0291
Christians and Muslims in Nigeria join hands in peace movement
Catholics in Malawi incensed by 'provocative' Muslim radio programme 18-0300 Churches in India call for calm after attack on Hindu temple 18-0305
Sikhs and Christians in India meet over conversions row
Indian churches call for calm after anti-Falwell protests turn into riots 19-0322 Church leaders call for calm after southern Philippines bombing kills six 19-0324
Christians and Muslims tell each other they need to face differences 19-0337 The future belongs to the non-violent, Kässmann tells inter-faith gathering 19-0338
Religious conflicts in Nigeria blamed on political manipulation
New inter-faith body applauds UN, appeals to Iraq for compliance
Pleas of Christian and Muslim leaders fail to stop Nigeria killings 22-0401 Iraqi Christians fear war will create tensions with Muslims
Filipino Christians and Muslims mark Ramadan by preaching peace 22-0420 INTERNATIONAL CHRISTIAN UNION OF BUSINESS EXECUTIVES (UNIAPAC)
INTERNATIONAL COUNCIL OF CHRISTIANS AND JEWS (ICCJ)
INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION OF ACTION BY CHRISTIANS FOR THE ABOLITION OF TORTURE
(FIACAT)
INTERNATIONAL FELLOWSHIP OF RECONCILIATION (IFOR)
INTERNATIONAL HELSINKI FEDERATION FOR HUMAN RIGHTS (IHF)
INTERNATIONAL JEWISH COMMITTEE ON INTERRELIGIOUS CONSULTATIONS (IJCIC)
INTERNATIONAL LUTHERAN COUNCIL (ILC)
INTERNATIONAL MOVEMENT AGAINST ALL FORMS OF DISCRIMINATION AND RACISM (IMADR)
INTERNATIONAL MOVEMENT OF CATHOLIC STUDENTS (IMCS)
INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION FOR MIGRATION (IOM)
INTERNATIONAL REFORMED FELLOWSHIP (IRF)
INTERNATIONAL WE ARE CHURCH MOVEMENT (IMWAC)
INTERNET
'Virtual' church spins web to reach those outside the pews
INTRA-CHURCH CONFLICT
Indian education group says Christian schools failing their own community. 12-0175 US wrangle between Baptists spills over into world alliance

Archbishop expresses fear of schism in the Anglican Communion
<u>IRAN</u>
Orthodox leader's visit to Iran signals new era for dialogue
<u>IRAQ</u>
Russian church official issues warning on military action against Iraq
IRELAND
Irish turn down stricter abortion law
<u>ISLAM</u>
Orthodox leader's visit to Iran signals new era for dialogue
<u>ISRAEL</u>
Israeli decision to halt work on Nazareth mosque faces challenge

Russian patriarch and Israel's Sharon meet in Moscow
<u>ITALY</u>
World's religions gather at Assisi to reject violence and call for peace02-0018
IVORY COAST
<u>JAMAICA</u>
<u>JAPAN</u>
JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES
<u>JERUSALEM</u>
Sounds of violence echo at Jerusalem meeting of religious leaders
<u>JEWS</u>
Billy Graham apologises for anti-Semitic remarks in Nixon White House 05-0070 Criticism leads Canadian Jewish Congress to pull out of interfaith group 08-0115 Germany's Jewish community to have equal status to the churches 22-0412
<u>JORDAN</u>
<u>JOURNALISM</u>
Zimbabwean archbishop criticises deportation order served on journalist14-0215 Le Monde journalist wins European religion writer of the year award16-0254 Religion writer prize winner says religious knowledge vital today18-0318
<u>JUDAISM</u>
JUSTICE, PEACE, INTEGRITY OF CREATION (JPIC)
<u>JUSTICE</u> (see PEACE/JUSTICE ISSUES)
JUSTIFICATION
KAIROS
KAMPUCHEA CONTRACTOR C
KAZAKHSTAN
<u>KENYA</u>
Kenyan Christians urge heightened security in wake of massacre

KIMBANGUIST KOINONIA KOREA (North) KOREA (South) KUWAIT LAITY LAND-MINES LAOS LATIN AMERICA LATIN AMERICAN COUNCIL OF CHURCHES (CLAI) LATIN AMERICAN CONFEDERATION OF RELIGIOUS (CLAR) LATVIA Latvia's church leaders want citizens to vote for corruption fighters..... 18-0315 Latvian churches say poll result boosts Christian voices in legislature.... 19-0347 LAUSANNE COMMITTEE FOR WORLD EVANGELIZATION (LCWE) LAW Church urges Zimbabwe government to remove 'repressive' media law.......... 11-0160 Philippine legislators run into RC opposition to reproductive health law... 19-0327 LAY LEBANON LESOTHO LEUENBERG AGREEMENT LIBERIA LIBERATION THEOLOGY LIBYA LIFE AND PEACE INSTITUTE LITHUANIA LITURGY 'All Things Bright and Beautiful' leads list of Methodist wedding hymns.... 10-0157 LUTHERAN African Lutheran leaders confess past sins in dealing with HIV/AIDS...... 09-0141 Church debates pastor's participation in 11 Sept. commemoration.......... 13-0191

Latvia's church leaders want citizens to vote for corruption fighters 18-0315 Pioneering declaration agreed in Finland now world-wide benchmark 20-0355 Poland's Lutherans call for equal status with Roman Catholic church 21-0395
LUTHERAN WORLD FEDERATION (LWF)
Lutheran leader criticises Bush's talk of 'axis of evil'
MACEDONIA (FYROM)
MACROECUMENISM STATEMENT OF THE STATEMEN
<u>MADAGASCAR</u>
MALAYSIA
<u>MALAWI</u>
Catholics in Malawi incensed by 'provocative' Muslim radio programme 18-0300 Malawi churches, human rights groups win right to protest 21-0388
MALTA MALTA
<u>MARONITE</u>
MARRIED PRIESTS
MARSHALL ISLANDS
<u>MARTYRS</u>
<u>MAURITANIA</u>
<u>MAURITIUS</u>
MEDIA MEDIA
Church urges Zimbabwe government to remove 'repressive' media law 11-0160 Jerusalem's Lutheran bishop wants media to focus more on peace workers 17-0280
MENNONITE
Dutch Mennonites to set up national register of conscientious objectors 11-0166 Dutch church's leaders gripped by nostalgia, claims professor 18-0316

METHODIST

Methodist 'bike brigade' takes to the roads to spread Gospel in Cuba 02-0025 Methodists hope new book will help people pray at the end of relationships. 03-0035 'All Things Bright and Beautiful' leads list of Methodist wedding hymns 10-0157 English Anglicans and Methodists move one step closer to church unity 13-0196 Sri Lankan Methodist church plays peacemaker in troubled Trincomalee 15-0238 'Retirement' for pastor means hard work with troubled Uruguay church 16-0255 Methodist Church warns on effect of plans to allow pubs longer hours 23-0444
METROPOLITAN COMMUNITY CHURCHES (UNIVERSAL FELLOWSHIP OF)
MEXICO MEXICO
Omissions found in investigation of threats against slain church activist. 01-0014 Pope's plan to canonise Mexican peasant rekindles sceptics' doubts 03-0041 Mexican 'bishop of the poor' wins Niwano Peace Prize 04-0056 New book brings debate about Mexican saint into public view 10-0150 Visiting Guatemala and Mexico, Pope offers support to indigenous peoples 14-0218 One year later, death of Mexican activist and former nun still a mystery 20-0363
MIDDLE EAST
US church leaders arrive in Holy Land on 'peace mission'
MIDDLE EAST COUNCIL OF CHURCHES (MECC)
MIGRATION
Churches seek a European policy after French asylum crisis
Churches seek a European policy after French asylum crisis
MILITARY SERVICE
MILITARY SERVICE Dutch Mennonites to set up national register of conscientious objectors11-0166
MILITARY SERVICE Dutch Mennonites to set up national register of conscientious objectors 11-0166 MINISTRY Move to allow homosexual ordinations defeated in US Presbyterian church 04-0053 New clergy pay scheme in Scotland may make ministry more attractive 06-0091 Cowboy boots, stiletto heels don't go with clerical robes, pastors told 13-0193 Baptism of fire for pastor who posed for energy company 14-0203 Pastors say they are hounded by ruling party militants in Zimbabwe 19-0330
MILITARY SERVICE Dutch Mennonites to set up national register of conscientious objectors 11-0166 MINISTRY Move to allow homosexual ordinations defeated in US Presbyterian church 04-0053 New clergy pay scheme in Scotland may make ministry more attractive 06-0091 Cowboy boots, stiletto heels don't go with clerical robes, pastors told 13-0193 Baptism of fire for pastor who posed for energy company
MILITARY SERVICE Dutch Mennonites to set up national register of conscientious objectors 11-0166 MINISTRY Move to allow homosexual ordinations defeated in US Presbyterian church 04-0053 New clergy pay scheme in Scotland may make ministry more attractive 06-0091 Cowboy boots, stiletto heels don't go with clerical robes, pastors told 13-0193 Baptism of fire for pastor who posed for energy company 14-0203 Pastors say they are hounded by ruling party militants in Zimbabwe 19-0330 Racing-car cleric brings mass to the fast lane 19-0343
MILITARY SERVICE Dutch Mennonites to set up national register of conscientious objectors 11-0166 MINISTRY Move to allow homosexual ordinations defeated in US Presbyterian church 04-0053 New clergy pay scheme in Scotland may make ministry more attractive 06-0091 Cowboy boots, stiletto heels don't go with clerical robes, pastors told 13-0193 Baptism of fire for pastor who posed for energy company

MORMONS

MORAVIANS

MISSION/MISSIONARY

Methodist 'bike brigade' takes to the roads to spread Gospel in Cuba 02-0	
Missionary societies call on churches to meet challenge of AIDS 08-0	
Churches forced to move regional peace conference in Indonesia	
Indian charity organises tea estates to aid church, needy families14-0	
Jungle trek leads missionaries to safety after massacre in Congo 18-0	
Indian Christians pay tribute to pioneering Irish missionaries 23-0	427
MOTAMPTOLIE	

MOZAMBIQUE

MULTICULTURISM

MUSIC

'All Things Bright and Beautiful' leads list of Methodist wedding hymns.... 10-0157

MYANMAR

NAMIBIA

NARCOTICS

NATIONALISM

NATIVITY

NEPAL

NETHERLANDS

NEW CALEDONIA

NEW ZEALAND

NICARAGUA

Corruption scandal rocks Nicaraguan Catholic church........................20-0362

NIGERIA

Churches full as Christians celebrate Easter in post-Soviet Russia	
Idea of Olympic cease-fire gains backing of Orthodox leaders	10-0149
Russian Orthodox Church provides its evidence of Catholic 'proselytising'	13-0188
Facing change and financial difficulties, WCC governing body to meet	15-0226
WCC and CEC protest violence against Serbian Orthodox in Kosovo	15-0228
Russian church put up for sale to meet factory's debts finds no buyer	15-0231
Greek Orthodox priest questioned in Israel, criticised by patriarchate	16-0243
Churches try to broker end to Indian Orthodox feud	16-0250
WCC meets Orthodox grievances with sweeping changes	
70 years after Bolshevik destruction, big bells return to Russian monastery	17-0290
Russian patriarch and Israel's Sharon meet in Moscow	18-0308
Orthodox church to debate future as peace-builder at US meeting	19-0340
Role of Orthodox church to be 'more important' as EU enlarges	19-0345
Terror and death at Moscow theatre leaves Orthodox leaders angry	20-0351
Beards, cassocks and head-dress to remain compulsory for Greek clergy	20-0357
Orthodox Christianity in Russian school curriculum triggers heated debate	23-0437

OUTER SPACE

PACIFIC CONFERENCE OF CHURCHES (PCC)

PACIFIC (REGION)

PAKISTAN

Indian church leaders plead for dialogue to resolve tension with Pakistan. 01-0001 Pakistani Christians praise plan to end election system they say is unfair. 02-0028 Churches condemn bloody attack on church in Pakistan
Indian churches urge restraint as Indian-Pakistani tension mounts 10-0144
Pakistani Christians condemn blasphemy laws as 'arbitrary' 13-0184
Pakistan Christians say they are powerless to respond to attacks 14-0207
Pakistan church officials fear truth may never be known about massacre 14-0208
Church leaders condemn military build-up in South Asia
Fears mount that attacks on Christians in Pakistan becoming routine 15-0234
Pakistan's supreme court quashes death sentence on Christian 15-0235
Support for democratic reform in Pakistan is waning, WCC leaders hear 16-0248
WCC warns of India and Pakistan nuclear threat, urges disarmament 16-0266
Christians in Pakistan say they are suffering for the policies of the US 18-0303
Apprehend killers, says WCC after attack on Christians in Pakistan 18-0304
Christians get a new stake in Pakistan voting system

PALESTINE

Israeli troops occupy Lutheran complex in Bethlehem
US churches welcome UN call for Palestinian state
Bethlehem church besieged after Palestinians take refuge inside 07-0097
US must act to promote Middle East cease-fire, say religious leaders 07-0098
Negotiations underway over besieged Bethlehem church
Peaceful end to stand-off at Bethlehem's Church of the Nativity 09-0129
Palestinian American elected moderator of US Presbyterian church 11-0169
Israel deports missionary who helped sick Palestinian children 12-0178
Plea by Christian leaders to halt Israel bombings seems not heard 15-0232
Greek Orthodox priest questioned in Israel, criticised by patriarchate 16-0243
WCC calls for end to Israeli occupation, Palestinian suicide bombings 16-0265
Cradle of Christianity a hostage in the Middle East conflict 23-0423

PANAMA

PAPACY

The next p	ope sho	ould come	from Afri	ca, senio:	r Vatican	official	says	07-0100
US Catholi	ic intel	llectual	defends ch	urch but	chides pop	e in new	book	14-0221
Nigerians	hoping	promoted	cardinal'	s odds of	becoming	pope now	better	20-0376

PAPUA NEW GUINEA

PARAGUAY

PARANORMAL

PARLIAMENT OF THE WORLD'S RELIGIONS

PEACE/JUSTICE ISSUES

New Lutheran bishop promises to speak out for justice in Zimbabwe 01-0004
World's religions gather at Assisi to reject violence and call for peace02-0018
Peru's truth commission hopes to heal the wounds of 20 years of violence05-0066
Top religious leaders unite to build 'harmonious' Europe
Church leaders hope visit will boost Guatemala peace process07-0108
Five years after civil war, Guatemala still waiting for fruits of peace 09-0135
Jesse Jackson advocates non-violent movement for peace in Middle East 12-0177
Fears about the return of conflict threaten peace process in Sri Lanka 14-0210
Divine mercy needed to overcome injustice says pope in Poland 15-0224
Christians join white ribbon protests on Indian Independence Day 15-0237
Churches in Sri Lanka mobilise for peace in advance of historic talks 17-0276
Jerusalem's Lutheran bishop wants media to focus more on peace workers 17-0280
Christians and Muslims in Nigeria join hands in peace movement 18-0294
Churches say development needed to aid peace process in Sri Lanka 18-0307
Germany's Protestant leader wants talks with Schröder's new government 18-0317
South African leader urges churches to monitor African politicians 19-0335
Orthodox church to debate future as peace-builder at US meeting 19-0340
Inter-faith leaders adopt peace declaration in South Africa 20-0375
Filipino Christians and Muslims mark Ramadan by preaching peace 22-0420

PENTECOSTAL & CHARISMATIC

PERSIAN GULF

PERSONALITIES

Billy Graham apologises for anti-Semitic remarks in Nixon White House 05-0070
Tutu assails South African government for accepting Zimbabwe's election06-0078
'International solidarity' was key to East Timor achieving independence 06-0082
Jesse Jackson advocates non-violent movement for peace in Middle East 12-0177
New Archbishop of Canterbury expected to be inspiring but controversial14-0199
Archbishop from Wales to lead Anglican communion
Rowan Williams joins Christian protest against possible attack on Iraq14-0200
Dutch woman pastor confident about WCC despite Kässmann resignation 18-0310

PERU

Peru's truth commission hopes to heal the wounds of 20 years of violence 05-0066	
Peru's jailed guerrilla leaders now 'reject terrorism', says RC bishop 06-0084	
Christian leaders call for national unity after riots in Peru	
Peruvian cardinal testifies before judge investigating Fujimori era 17-0284	

PHILIPPINES

PHILIPPINES
Filipino church leaders warn against increased US military presence 07-0104 Philippine and US churches to look at 'war on terrorism' together 11-0168 Filipino churches, rights groups call for end to death penalty 13-0185 Church leaders call for calm after southern Philippines bombing kills six. 19-0324 Philippine legislators run into RC opposition to reproductive health law 19-0327 Church leaders in Philippines lament public apathy to anti-war drive 20-0361 Filipino Christians and Muslims mark Ramadan by preaching peace 22-0420
<u>PILGRIMAGES</u>
POLAND
Orthodox head of Polish ecumenical body wants better ties with Catholics 01-0011 Four weddings and a baptism can cost Poles more than a month's salary 05-0074 Polish archbishop steps down after newspaper allegations 07-0101 Divine mercy needed to overcome injustice says pope in Poland 15-0224 Polish churches dedicate 'cemetery of reconciliation' for German civilians. 18-0314 Leper helper and camp survivor 'not disappointed' on missing Nobel prize 20-0360 Poland's Lutherans call for equal status with Roman Catholic church 21-0395 Polish churches to collaborate on unemployment centres
POPE'S TRAVEL
Russian church puts damper on Putin's hopes of papal visit to Russia 01-0010 New book brings debate about Mexican saint into public view 10-0150 Visiting Guatemala and Mexico, Pope offers support to indigenous peoples 14-0218 Divine mercy needed to overcome injustice says pope in Poland 15-0224
PORNOGRAPHY
PORTUGAL
PORVOO AGREEMENT
Pioneering declaration agreed in Finland now world-wide benchmark 20-0355
POVERTY
Leading charity warns of 'chronic' poverty in Europe
PRISONS
PROSELYTISM
Russian Orthodox Church provides its evidence of Catholic 'proselytising' 13-0188 Christians in India reject charge of conversion by 'inducement' 16-0249
PROTESTANT
Catholic-style Lenten rituals attracting Dutch Protestants

PUERTO RICO

QUAKERS

RACISM/RACE RELATIONS

RACISM/RACE RELATIONS	
US churches seek joint witness on racism as they launch uni Slovak churches dispute government claim of discrimination Church body looks at 'deeply entrenched' racism within its Indian church activists hail UN stand against caste discrim	against Roma12-0180 midst16-0268
RADIO/TV	
German TV programme to seek out the smartest cleric Indian churches launch TV channel to promote family values. Catholics in Malawi incensed by 'provocative' Muslim radio	
RECONCILIATION/REUNIFICATION	
Polish churches dedicate 'cemetery of reconciliation' for G Nigerian leader praises efforts towards reconciliation by v Report criticises 'institutional failure' of churches on se	victims
REFORMATION	
Swiss Reformation monument gets new additions - one a woman	1
REFORMED	
Move for Scottish church unity threatened by role of bishop Romanian churches hope census results will aid property cla Move to allow homosexual ordinations defeated in US Presbyt Budget cuts force reduction in Presbyterian staffing and mi Hungarian grievances dominate Reformed Christian meeting Tensions boil over at European gathering of Reformed church Ref. churches told: Act locally to halt negative effects of	tims
REFUGEES/DISPLACED PERSONS	
Australia's asylum policy questioned following hunger strik Australia should stop demonising refugees, Catholic relief Refugees are bearing brunt of US security measures, church Immigration law misses chance to protect the weak, German of Gujarat stops closing refugee camps after widespread protes Refugee agency succeeds in resettlement plan for Somali ref Sri Lankan Methodist church plays peacemaker in troubled Tr Australian Catholic leaders urge end to mandatory refugee d Canadian govt to review refugee cases after family shelters Deportees from Australia risk death at home, church coaliti Catholic church appeals to Australian government on East Ti Swiss churches hail defeat of proposal to tighten asylum la	leader says 04-0049 agencies warn 04-0050 churches say 04-0051 sts 12-0174 fugees 13-0186 cincomalee 15-0238 detention 17-0285 s in church 22-0408 .on says 22-0410 .morese 22-0410
RELIGIOUS COMMUNITIES	
RELIGIOUS MOVEMENTS/SECTS	
RELIGIOUS RIGHTS/FREEDOM	
Czech churches protest against a law 'hostile' to religion. Pakistani Christians praise plan to end election system the Historic accord guarantees rights for Slovak minority churc Court hearing could have far-reaching consequences for Indi US religious freedom commission names countries it finds mo Fears mount that attacks on Christians in Pakistan becoming	ey say is unfair. 02-0028 thes 08-0123 ta's Christians 08-0128 trepressive 09-0137

Pakistan's supreme court quashes death sentence on Christian
Refugee agency succeeds in resettlement plan for Somali refugees 13-0186
RESIGNATIONS
Lutheran bishop Margot Kässmann resigns from WCC central committee 16-0271 Resignation of Boston cardinal 'only first step' in dealing with scandal 23-0428
RESOURCE SHARING
RETIREMENTS
Carey announces his retirement as Archbishop of Canterbury
ROMAN CATHOLIC
Israeli decision to halt work on Nazareth mosque faces challenge

Irish Catholic priest goes underground in Zimbabwe after threats
ROMANIA
Romanian churches hope census results will aid property claims
RUSSIA
Russian church puts damper on Putin's hopes of papal visit to Russia
RWANDA

RWANDA

SABBATH

SACRAMENTS

Four weddings and a baptism can cost Pol	les more than a month's salary 05-0074
Confirmation cards bring perks to teenage	gers at German church
Baptism of fire for pastor who posed for	r energy company

SAINTROOD	
Pope's plan to canonise Mexican peasant rekindles sceptics' doubts New book brings debate about Mexican saint into public view Pope canonises José Maria Escriva, the founder of Opus Dei Mother Teresa miracle row rooted in Communism, church leaders say	10-0150 19-0348
SALVATION	
SALVATION ARMY	
Court ruling offers hope to Salvation Army's branch in Moscow	05-0067

SATAN

SAUDI ARABIA

SCANDINAVIA

SENEGAL

SENIOR CITIZENS

SEXUAL ABUSE

Catholic church moves to deal with sex abuse by priests
Australian governor-general feels heat from handling of abuse cases 02-0017
Governor-general's TV appearance fails to halt calls for resignation 04-0048
Abuse scandals continue to rock US Catholic Church
Australia's Anglican church makes formal apology to sexual abuse victims06-0085
Polish archbishop steps down after newspaper allegations
US cardinals return home amid criticism of child abuse stance 08-0114
Church court reduces sentence against bishop in sexual misconduct case 09-0139
Former US archbishop makes emotional apology for 'scandal'
New US Catholic guidelines on sexual abuse stop short of defrocking 11-0167
Sydney archbishop rejects sexual abuse claims but stands aside for inquiry. 15-0222
Irish Catholic Church names commission to investigate abuse complaints 17-0287
Judge finds insufficient proof for allegations against Sydney archbishop 19-0328
Canada and its Anglicans reach agreement on liability in abuse cases 22-0406
Resignation of Boston cardinal 'only first step' in dealing with scandal 23-0428
Report criticises 'institutional failure' of churches on sex abuse 23-0443

SEXUALITY

SEX TOURISM

SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST

SEYCHELLES

SHRINES

SIERRA LEONE

SIN

SINGAPORE

SLAVERY

SLOVAKIA Historic accord quarantees rights for Slovak minority churches.......... 08-0123 Slovak churches dispute government claim of discrimination against Roma.... 12-0180 Churches appeal for help as floods surge through central Europe........... 15-0225 SLOVENIA SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT SOCIALISM SOLOMON ISLANDS SOMALIA Refugee agency succeeds in resettlement plan for Somali refugees........... 13-0186 SOUTH AFRICA Tutu assails South African government for accepting Zimbabwe's election....06-0078 Priests accused of child abuse in South Africa will be reported to police.. 09-0140 South African leader urges churches to monitor African politicians...... 19-0335 Religious leaders say South African bombers subverting democracy.......... 20-0367 Inter-faith leaders adopt peace declaration in South Africa............ 20-0375 Poverty is a problem of the rich, LWF South African meeting says........... 21-0390 Pressure Mugabe, Zimbabwean archbishop urges South African churches...... 22-0403 SOUTHERN AFRICA DEVELOPMENT COMMUNITY (SADC) SPAIN Fans of Barcelona's famous architect hope to see him beatified............ 10-0154 SPIRITUAL WARFARE SPIRITUALITY SPORT Idea of Olympic cease-fire gains backing of Orthodox leaders.............. 10-0149 'Are soccer players our real Gods?' - a question for World Cup fans...... 11-0161 SRI LANKA Fears about the return of conflict threaten peace process in Sri Lanka..... 14-0210 Sri Lankan Methodist church plays peacemaker in troubled Trincomalee...... 15-0238 Churches in Sri Lanka mobilise for peace in advance of historic talks..... 17-0276 Churches say development needed to aid peace process in Sri Lanka......... 18-0307 STATISTICS STEERING COMMITTEE FOR HUMANITARIAN RESPONSE (SCHR) SUDAN Canadian church activists cautious as oil company withdraws from Sudan..... 22-0405 SURINAME

SURVEYS, POLLS, etc.

Volunteers in congregations do the work of 11 clergy, survey finds 02-00	
Number of Americans with no formal religion increasing, survey finds 02-00	
Leading charity warns of 'chronic' poverty in Europe	
Bucking previous trends, 'demand' for religion on the rise in Canada 09-01	
US public confidence in religious institutions tumbles	
Australians less committed to Christianity, traditional family life 13-01	
Almost half of Britons attend church at least once a year, survey finds 14-02	
Canadian Catholics want to go their own way on social issues, poll finds 14-02	17
Donors to religious causes found to be more generous	42
Four out of 10 children in Germany don't know meaning of Christmas 23-04	46

SWAZILAND

SWEDEN

SWITZERLAND

Swiss churches campaign for Switzerland to join UN
Christians and Muslims tell each other they need to face differences 19-0337
Swiss Reformation monument gets new additions - one a woman
Swiss churches hail defeat of proposal to tighten asylum laws
Millions-strong Christian alliance launches campaign to change trade rules. 23-0436

SYNCRETISM

SYNDESMOS (World Fellowship of Orthodox Youth)

SYRIA

TABAGISM

TAIWAN

TANZANIA

TERRORISM

Slain Colombian archbishop criticised drug traffickers and guerrillas 06-0083
Philippine and US churches to look at 'war on terrorism' together 11-0168
Church debates pastor's participation in 11 Sept. commemoration 13-0191
Greek Orthodox priest questioned in Israel, criticised by patriarchate 16-0243
11 September remembered: 'We can be safe only together'
Bali attacks about terrorism, not religion, say Australian church leaders 19-0323
Iranian warns that Bush war with Iraq will play into Bin Laden's hands 19-0336
Terror and death at Moscow theatre leaves Orthodox leaders angry 20-0351
Church leaders in Philippines lament public apathy to anti-war drive 20-0361
Churches fear Indonesian fight against terror will make life difficult 21-0383
FBI says anti-Muslim hate crimes up in US

THAILAND

THEOLOGY

TIBET

TOGO

TONGA

TOURISM (THIRD WORLD) TRADITIONAL RELIGIONS TRADITIONAL MEDICINE TRAFFICKING TRANSPARENCY INTERNATIONAL TRINIDAD & TOBAGO TRINITY TURKEY TURKMENISTAN **UGANDA** Churches in Uganda and Kenya try to help rein in cattle rustling.......... 23-0434 UKRAINE Ukrainian cardinal criticises Rome bureaucracy over Orthodox dialoque..... 20-0354 UNIFICATION CHURCH UNION & UNITY Move for Scottish church unity threatened by role of bishops and elders.... 02-0022 US churches seek joint witness on racism as they launch unity venture..... 02-0023 •Don't idolise nature, church report tells supporters of organic farming...10-0156 Carey says Anglican unity 'threatened' after vote for gay blessings...... 12-0176 English Anglicans and Methodists move one step closer to church unity..... 13-0196 WCC grapples with diverse beliefs as it strives for unity of members...... 16-0261 Christians celebrate unity and 1950 years since St Thomas came to India.... 22-0418 UNITED/UNITING United churches show 'hope for the future' of ecumenical movement........ 18-0311 UNITED BIBLE SOCIETIES (UBS) UNITED KINGDOM Methodists hope new book will help people pray at the end of relationships. 03-0035 In full expansion, Chinese church plays part in country's 'social vision'.. 03-0036 European court rules against assisted suicide for Diane Pretty..........08-0120 Anglican primates outline plan to help churches combat AIDS crisis....... 08-0121 'All Things Bright and Beautiful' leads list of Methodist wedding hymns.... 10-0157 Church leaders mark Queen's jubilee by pledging commitment to unity...... 10-0158 Almost half of Britons attend church at least once a year, survey finds.... 14-0205 Leading-edge stem-cell bank stirs debate for UK church leaders, ethicists.. 17-0286 Bishop rebuts critics of knights' tombs and male saints on windows....... 19-0350 Pioneering declaration agreed in Finland now world-wide benchmark........... 20-0355

Global stock markets force churches to cut back on social projects 21-0393 Report criticises 'institutional failure' of churches on sex abuse 23-0443 Methodist Church warns on effect of plans to allow pubs longer hours 23-0444
England
Bishops don't live like princes, says Church of England
Scotland
Move for Scottish church unity threatened by role of bishops and elders 02-0022 Church of Scotland wants to bring the men back
<u>Wales</u>
Catholic church moves to deal with sex abuse by priests
Northern Ireland
UNITED NATIONS & UN AGENCIES
Swiss churches campaign for Switzerland to join UN
UNITED REFORMED
UNITED STATES
Church body takes to TV to promote alternatives to Alaska oil drilling 01-0015 US churches seek joint witness on racism as they launch unity venture 02-0023 Number of Americans with no formal religion increasing, survey finds 02-0024 Methodist 'bike brigade' takes to the roads to spread Gospel in Cuba 02-0025 Refugees are bearing brunt of US security measures, church agencies warn 04-0050 US religious leaders call for alternative to Bush's environment proposals 04-0052 Move to allow homosexual ordinations defeated in US Presbyterian church 04-0053 Ecumenical patriarch pays tribute to victims of terrorist attacks in NY 05-0068 Abuse scandals continue to rock US Catholic Church
Billy Graham apologises for anti-Semitic remarks in Nixon White House 05-0070

US\$1 million Templeton prize for scientist-turned-priest
Lutheran leader criticises Bush's talk of 'axis of evil' 06-0092
US churches welcome UN call for Palestinian state
Fiery fundamentalist and critic of the ecumenical movement dies at 95 06-0096
US must act to promote Middle East cease-fire, say religious leaders 07-0098
Filipino church leaders warn against increased US military presence 07-0104
Zimbabwean Anglican bishop banned in US
Russian church official issues warning on military action against Iraq 07-0107
US church leaders arrive in Holy Land on 'peace mission'
US church leaders warn against military action in Iraq
US cardinals return home amid criticism of child abuse stance 08-0114
Cuban church leaders welcome visit by Jimmy Carter
US church leaders hope for 'more inclusive' ecumenical fellowship 09-0136
US religious freedom commission names countries it finds most repressive 09-0137
Budget cuts force reduction in Presbyterian staffing and missionary work09-0138
Church court reduces sentence against bishop in sexual misconduct case 09-0139
Former US archbishop makes emotional apology for 'scandal'
New US Catholic guidelines on sexual abuse stop short of defrocking 11-0167
Philippine and US churches to look at 'war on terrorism' together 11-0168
Palestinian American elected moderator of US Presbyterian church 11-0169
Jesse Jackson advocates non-violent movement for peace in Middle East 12-0177
Refugee agency succeeds in resettlement plan for Somali refugees
US public confidence in religious institutions tumbles
Church debates pastor's participation in 11 Sept. commemoration
US wrangle between Baptists spills over into world alliance
US Catholic intellectual defends church but chides pope in new book 14-0221
Donors to religious causes found to be more generous
'Retirement' for pastor means hard work with troubled Uruguay church 16-0255
WCC condemns US military role in Colombia
WCC calls on Iraq to respect UN, expresses alarm at US military stance 16-0264
11 September remembered: 'We can be safe only together'
Christians in Pakistan say they are suffering for the policies of the US18-0303
Credit cards nudge out collection plates in US congregations
Indian churches call for calm after anti-Falwell protests turn into riots 19-0322
Iranian warns that Bush war with Iraq will play into Bin Laden's hands 19-0336
The future belongs to the non-violent, Kässmann tells inter-faith gathering 19-0338
US church leaders denounce Falwell's 'hateful' words against Mohammed 19-0339
Orthodox church to debate future as peace-builder at US meeting 19-0340
Churches, used to caring for AIDS patients, now urged to up advocacy 19-0341
Racing-car cleric brings mass to the fast lane
After sniper arrests US religious leaders say: Refrain from stereotyping. 20-0364
'James, son of Joseph, brother of Jesus' message debated by archaeologists. 20-0365
Global stock markets force churches to cut back on social projects 21-0393
FBI says anti-Muslim hate crimes up in US
What would Jesus drive? Environmentalists ask gas-guzzling Christians 22-0422
Resignation of Boston cardinal 'only first step' in dealing with scandal 23-0428
Anti-war priest was a 'shrewd realist'

UNITY (see UNION & UNITY)

UPROOTED PEOPLE

URBAN RURAL MISSION

URUGUAY

'Retirement' for pastor means hard work with troubled Uruguay church...... 16-0255

UZBEKISTAN

VANUATU

VATICAN

Catholic church moves to deal with sex abuse by priests	01-0009
World's religions gather at Assisi to reject violence and call for peace	
Russian Orthodox condemn new Vatican dioceses as hostile to relations	03-0031
Pope's plan to canonise Mexican peasant rekindles sceptics' doubts	03-0041
The next pope should come from Africa, senior Vatican official says	07-0100
US cardinals return home amid criticism of child abuse stance	08-0114
New book brings debate about Mexican saint into public view	10-0150
Ecumenical patriarch and pope sign declaration on environment	
Excommunicated women want to continue struggle to be priests	14-0202
Ukrainian cardinal criticises Rome bureaucracy over Orthodox dialogue	20-0354

VENEZUELA

VIETNAM

VIOLENCE/NON-VIOLENCE

Bishop appeals for end to violence in Zimbabwe	3
New Lutheran bishop promises to speak out for justice in Zimbabwe 01-000-	4
World's religions gather at Assisi to reject violence and call for peace 02-001	
Leaders of three faiths join in condemnation of Holy Land violence 02-001	
Christians call for tough action to stem violence in Gujarat	
Kenyan Christians urge heightened security in wake of massacre	
Churches condemn bloody attack on church in Pakistan	
Slain Colombian archbishop criticised drug traffickers and querrillas 06-008	
Indian Christians plead for international help to stop violence in Gujarat. 08-012	
Christian leaders call for national unity after riots in Peru	
Pakistan Christians say they are powerless to respond to attacks	
Pakistan church officials fear truth may never be known about massacre 14-020	
Warning of 'semi-dictatorship' as violence grips Colombia	
WCC and CEC protest violence against Serbian Orthodox in Kosovo 15-022	
WCC's governing body warned of link between globalisation, violence16-025	
Jungle trek leads missionaries to safety after massacre in Congo 18-029	3
Churches in India call for calm after attack on Hindu temple	5
Indian churches call for calm after anti-Falwell protests turn into riots 19-032	2
Church leaders call for calm after southern Philippines bombing kills six 19-032	4
Congo's Catholic bishops call for dialogue between government and rebels 19-033	3
The future belongs to the non-violent, Kässmann tells inter-faith gathering 19-033	8
Churches called to tackle sin of violence against women	9
Indian churches deplore lynching of youths in cow-skinning affair 20-035	8
Religious leaders say South African bombers subverting democracy 20-036	7
Pleas of Christian and Muslim leaders fail to stop Nigeria killings 22-040	
Authorities condemned in report on sectarian violence in Gujarat 23-042	

WALDENSIAN

WARS/CONFLICTS

Russian church official issues warning on military action against Iraq 07-0107
US church leaders warn against military action in Iraq
Rowan Williams joins Christian protest against possible attack on Iraq14-0200
WCC calls on Iraq to respect UN, expresses alarm at US military stance 16-0264
Iranian warns that Bush war with Iraq will play into Bin Laden's hands 19-0336
The future belongs to the non-violent, Kässmann tells inter-faith gathering 19-0338
Iraqi Christians, fearing war, called to prayer
New inter-faith body applauds UN, appeals to Iraq for compliance 21-0378
Iraqi Christians fear war will create tensions with Muslims

WEST AFRICAN ASSOCIATION OF THEOLOGICAL INSTITUTIONS

WEST INDIES

WITCHCRAFT

WOMEN

Marga Bührig was a pioneer for women's rights in the church
German Protestants hope that mentors will promote equal opportunities 05-0075
Excommunicated women want to continue struggle to be priests14-0202
Support for democratic reform in Pakistan is waning, WCC leaders hear 16-0248
Churches called to tackle sin of violence against women
Churches launch new initiative to combat trafficking of women in Europe 23-0439

WOMEN'S ORDINATION WORLDWIDE (WOW)

WORLD ALLIANCE OF REFORMED CHURCHES (WARC)

Church agencies urge EU sanctions against Israel
Western European churches asked to scrutinise their investments 12-0183
Hungarian grievances dominate Reformed Christian meeting
Tensions boil over at European gathering of Reformed churches 16-0251
Reformed churches told: act locally to halt effects of globalisation 16-0252

WORLD ASSOCIATION FOR CHRISTIAN COMMUNICATION (WACC)

WORLD CHRISTIAN TAMIL CONFERENCE (WCTA)

WORLD CONFERENCE ON RELIGION AND PEACE (WCRP)

WORLD COUNCIL OF CHURCHES (WCC)

Global events put faith on agenda at World Economic Forum	
Marga Bührig was a pioneer for women's rights in the church	
Jan Kok, a key founder of ENI, 'thoroughly understood journalism'03-0044	
'International solidarity' was key to East Timor achieving independence 06-0082	
•US must act to promote Middle East cease-fire, say religious leaders 07-0098	
Church leaders hope visit will boost Guatemala peace process 07-0108	
Church agencies urge EU sanctions against Israel	
Missionary societies call on churches to meet challenge of AIDS 08-0122	
Western European churches asked to scrutinise their investments 12-0183	
Hungarian grievances dominate Reformed Christian meeting 15-0227	
WCC and CEC protest violence against Serbian Orthodox in Kosovo 15-0228	
WCC sends people to accompany those vulnerable in Palestine, Israel 16-0244	
Apprehend killers, says WCC after attack on Christians in Pakistan 18-0304	
Dutch woman pastor confident about WCC despite Kässmann resignation 18-0310	
Iranian warns that Bush war with Iraq will play into Bin Laden's hands 19-0336	
Orthodox church to debate future as peace-builder at US meeting 19-0340	
Global stock markets force churches to cut back on social projects 21-0393	
WCC cutting staff positions by 15 per cent before end of 200322-0414	

WCC Central Committee

Facing change and financial difficulties, WCC governing body to meet	15-0226
Mark 1 September as a day for the environment, churches told	16-0253
Churches celebrate pioneering work of Lausanne conference 75 yrs ago	16-0256
'Critical realism' needed to respond to globalisation: WCC moderator	16-0257
WCC's governing body warned of link between globalisation, violence	16-0258
WCC's Raiser calls for reforms of church bodies	16-0259
World Council of Churches facing financially lunguatainable! necition	16-0260

WCC grapples with diverse beliefs as it strives for unity of members. 16-0261 WCC looks at radical proposals on worship and decision-making. 16-0262 WCC meets Orthodox grievances with sweeping changes. 16-0263 WCC calls on Iraq to respect UN, expresses alarm at US military stance. 16-0264 WCC calls for end to Israeli occupation, Palestinian suicide bombings. 16-0265 WCC warns of India and Pakistan nuclear threat, urges disarmament. 16-0266 WCC condemns US military role in Colombia. 16-0267 Church body looks at 'deeply entrenched' racism within its midst. 16-0268 World Council of Churches to hold next assembly in Brazil. 16-0269 World Council of Churches to cut back drastically on expenditure. 16-0270 Lutheran bishop Margot Kässmann resigns from WCC central committee. 16-0271 Wanted: Theologically-grounded CEO for mission 'impossible'. 16-0272
WORLD EVANGELICAL FELLOWSHIP (WEF)
WORLD JEWISH CONGRESS (WJC)
WORLD METHODIST COUNCIL (WMC)
WORLD SABBATH OF RELIGIOUS RECONCILIATION
WORLD STUDENT CHRISTIAN FEDERATION (WSCF)
WORLD TRADE ORGANISATION
WORLD URBAN MISSIONS (WUM)
WORLD VISION INTERNATIONAL (WVI)
WORLD WILDLIFE FEDERATION (WWF)
WORSHIP
WCC looks at radical proposals on worship and decision-making 16-0262
XENOPHOBIA
YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION (YMCA)
YOUNG WOMEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION (YWCA)
YOUTH
Confirmation cards bring perks to teenagers at German church
French protestants re-establish warm relations with ecumenical community 13-0197
French protestants re-establish warm relations with ecumenical community13-0197 Despite loss of faith, Dutch pastor's children lament passing of rituals21-0400
French protestants re-establish warm relations with ecumenical community 13-0197 Despite loss of faith, Dutch pastor's children lament passing of rituals 21-0400 YOUTH WITH A MISSION (YWAM)
French protestants re-establish warm relations with ecumenical community 13-0197 Despite loss of faith, Dutch pastor's children lament passing of rituals 21-0400 YOUTH WITH A MISSION (YWAM) YUGOSLAVIA

ZIMBABWE

Bishop appeals for end to violence in Zimbabwe	0003
New Lutheran bishop promises to speak out for justice in Zimbabwe01	-0004
Zimbabwe authorities seize Baptist church's grain stocks	
Churches condemn restrictions on public gatherings in Zimbabwe04	-0046
Church observers cite intimidation and violence in Zimbabwe election05	-0058
Mugabe defies Supreme Court, restricts Zimbabwe election monitoring 05	
Zimbabwe high court lets civic groups, churches educate voters	-0060
Tutu assails South African government for accepting Zimbabwe's election06	
Zimbabwean Anglican bishop banned in US	
Tutu launches charity for displaced farmers, workers in Zimbabwe10	-0147
Thousands go hungry as militants block food distribution in Zimbabwe 10	-0148
Church urges Zimbabwe government to remove 'repressive' media law11	
'Crisis' makes fresh election in Zimbabwe 'necessary', says Tutu12	
Catholic Church resumes control of food programme for Zimbabweans14	
Zimbabwean archbishop criticises deportation order served on journalist 14	
Prominent Zimbabwean Anglican backs Mugabe's land reform	
Mugabe sticks to land programme, Zimbabwe police quiz outspoken cleric 15	
Irish Catholic priest goes underground in Zimbabwe after threats 16	
Harare Anglicans reject dean seen as ally of pro-Mugabe bishop 16	
Zimbabwe's Catholic bishops plead for food aid to be de-politicised 18	
Hounded Catholic priest wants to leave Zimbabwe, slams bishop	
Pastors say they are hounded by ruling party militants in Zimbabwe 19	
Zimbabwe Anglican bishop's ban on cathedral choir cancelled	
Daughter of ex-Zimbabwe bishop threatened after opposing new bishop 19	
Villagers face starvation as Zimbabwe president clashes with charities 20	
Catholics baulk at handing over mission hospital to Zimbabwe government20	
As drought continues, Zimbabwe's clergy pray for rain	
Zimbabwean bishop snubs meeting to end church feud	
Zimbabwean archbishop accuses government of letting people starve21	
Pressure Mugabe, Zimbabwean archbishop urges South African churches 22	
Zimbabwean government gives church farms a reprieve	
Human rights activist urges churches to confront Mugabe's government 23	
Stop partisan food distribution, Zimbabwe church leaders urge Mugabe 23	
Hounded Roman Catholic priest will leave Zimbabwe reluctantly	-0433

ZIONISM

Local church leaders oppose pro-Zionist Christian meeting in Holy Land..... 18-0309

* * * * * * * * * * * * * * *

 \bullet This symbol indicates a short piece of information added at the end of an article which is linked indirectly to it.

Reference number: This indicates the bulletin number and the number of the article, e.g. the number 15-0228 means that the article is to be found in Bulletin no. 15 under the number 0228.